

**THE MEN'S CLASS**

Veteran Star Theatre, Every Sunday Afternoon at 2.30. Review of Subject for Last Sunday

**HOUSES**

The lack of proper housing is more of a detriment and menace than most people realize. In a period when Toronto had a record of 23,000 marriages, the number of new houses built was 3,000. In 1920 there were 70,000 weddings in Canada and less than 12,000 new houses built. Add to this the demand for immigrants and Canada showed in one year a housing shortage of over 80,000. There is a minimum need in Europe and America of ten million new houses to relieve the present congestion.

In the cities houses that were built for one family now care for two, four or six families. Many times a whole family live in one room, work, eat and sleep there. Very often the family live in a basement. There is not sufficient light nor air. Water and toilet facilities are lacking and health is seriously menaced. Infections and contagious diseases here take a large toll. The ravages of tuberculosis cannot possibly be stayed in such conditions. The people who live in such places carry the contagion on the streets and in the shops and stores and are a serious danger to the national health.

Where a family live in one or two rooms, what chance have the children for proper sleep and play? They are on the street, running wild, without the proper restraints of the home. Greater Berlin, Germany, had 55 per cent. of all its families living in one room and its record of immorality was too shocking and horrible to tell. Such conditions would be a disgrace in Canada.

Part of the trouble we face in the cities to-day is uncertain tenure and high rent. Add to that the loss of a job and the result means serious unrest and the growth of the Bolshevistic spirit. It is a problem of national importance to properly house every family and give every man some kind of a chance to own his own home. If a municipality were to guarantee the bonds for building a working man's house then the whole municipality would have a new interest in the man, his character and conduct, and especially in his steady employment. There would be developed a better community spirit where each would think of all and all of each.

For the sake of the national health, for the sake of the children and their moral upbringing, for the sake of social, economic and political stability, we ought to set before us the ideal: one family in one house and every man to own his home.

**MEN'S BIBLE CLASS**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

Collections .....	\$58.75
Bal., second banquet.....	2.15
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Rent .....	\$60.90
Deficit first banquet.....	8.55
Bible Society.....	10.00
Hospital.....	10.00
Balance on hand.....	60.90
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**Music Hath Charms.**

"I did admire that last piece of yours, Mr. Lyon," remarked Mrs. Newrich. "Was it your own composition? It had a wildness and freedom about it."

"Indeed, madam," replied the musician. "I was putting a new string on my violin."

"More Turkish Atrocities"—Headline. Towels or cigarettes?—Hamilton Spectator.

**Flesherton.**

(Our own correspondent.)

Death came suddenly to the home of Mrs. Paton here on Tuesday afternoon, April 3, when her aged and beloved mother, Mrs. McMillan, passed to her reward soon after being seized with a slight stroke. Although not in her usual health for a short time, death was not anticipated so soon, for the very bright old lady was well preserved, with her faculties unimpaired. Her sudden call was a shock to her family, but full of faith and blessed assurance her peaceful passing was comforting to all and was a fitting close to her long, beautiful Christian life. The deceased, whose maiden name was Anna Smith, was born on the Island of Islay, Scotland, in 1838, and was therefore in her 85th year. At 18 years of age she came with her parents to Canada and after living about four years in Erin Township settled among the pioneers in Proton, where on March 17, 1863, she was married to the late Mr. Duncan McMillan, a well-known resident of the township who died 19 years ago. Mr. and Mrs. McMillan took a deep interest in all religious work and were very highly respected in the Swinton Park community where they lived so long. The latter left the homestead seven years ago to reside with her daughter here. She was a life-long and devout Presbyterian, specially well versed in the scriptures. Her Bible, which she loved to read in Gaelic, was her daily companion and source of comfort and strength.

The funeral took place to Swinton Park cemetery on Friday afternoon. Revs. Fowler of this place and Jones of Priceville officiating. At a short service at the house, Dr. Murray sang "My Ain Country", a favorite of the deceased. Beautiful floral tributes covered the casket. Two sons, two sons-in-law and two nephews were the pall-bearers. A memorial service was held in the Presbyterian Church here on Sunday, the text for the sermon by the pastor being: "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path," so applicable to the life of the departed. Mrs. George Cairns and Mrs. Alex. McDonald sang "He's The One" very sweetly. The deceased is survived by two sons, John S. Ceylon and Neil, on the homestead, Proton. Four daughters also survive: Mrs. Katherine Paton, Flesherton; Miss Mary McMillan, teacher, Fort William; Mrs. William Haw-

Proton and Mrs. James Wilson, Egremont, all present at the funeral. A son and daughter died some years ago. One brother, Rev. G. A. Smith, a retired Presbyterian minister, and the only surviving member of the family, lives at Rudyard, Michigan.

At the annual election of officers in the Women's Institute, held at the home of Mrs. Phillips last week, the following were elected: President, Mrs. O. W. Phillips; 1st Vice-President, Mrs. Robert Best; 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. William Inkster; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. William Henry. Refreshments were served at the close.

Mr. Fred Stuart is having his house reshingled this week.

Mrs. Long, who has spent the winter with her daughter, Mrs. W. Miller, is returning to her home at Hopewood this week.

Mrs. (Rev.) Oke is in Toronto nursing her daughters, who have been ill, but are recovering. Mr. Oke spent part of last week in the city.

Mr. Fred Plewes has engaged Mr. Lew Pedlar on the farm for the summer.

Mr. Frank Thurston spent a few days in Toronto last week with his brother.

Mrs. Herb. Smith of Owen Sound visited relatives here over the weekend.

Mr. Thomas Bentham has returned from visiting relatives in Buffalo.

Mr. and Mrs. Skinner, who recently moved to the 4th Line, lost their two months' old child on Saturday. Interment was made at Salem cemetery on Monday, Rev. Mr. Fowler officiating.

Mr. Richard Allen's child, in Toronto for a few weeks under treatment, was reported not doing well on Saturday, and its mother went to the city.

"Resolved: That the professions offer greater opportunities for service to humanity than does 'business,'" was the subject of an ably conducted debate put on by the Guild in the Presbyterian Church on Tuesday evening of last week. A large audience listened with deep interest to the speakers on both sides, who showed careful preparation and scored many telling points. The affirmative was taken by Mr. Fraser of the High School staff, Mrs. (Dr.) Turnbull and Mr. Sam Pedlar, Ceylon; the negative by Mr. Fervier, manager of the Bank of Montreal, Miss Beatty, teacher in No. 3, and

Miss Edna Ferris, Principal Upshall, Reeve McKenzie and G. A. McTavish, judges, gave their verdict in favor of the negative. Rev. F. G. Fowler presided and a short musical program was rendered, in which Dr. Murray, Wes Armstrong, George Cairns, Frank Duncan, Mrs. Blackburn, Mrs. McCallum and Miss Mildred McCallum took part.

The annual thank-offering meeting of the Baptist Women's Mission Circle was held in the church on Wednesday afternoon last week, the President, Mrs. Levi Betts, presiding. There was a good representation from the Methodist and Presbyterian sister societies and all present were given a real treat by the speaker, Mrs. C. J. Holman of Toronto, President of the Baptist Circle in Ontario and the West. Her address, illustrated with charts, was inspiring and made a deep impression. Misses Jossie Richardson and Jean Reid gave a well rendered duet. At the close refreshments were served and an enjoyable social time was spent. The thank-offering was good.

Nurse Irene Wilson underwent an operation on her throat at her home here last week when her tonsils were removed by Drs. McFarlane and Turnbull. Her nurse friend, Miss Heron, of Owen Sound, visited for a few days with her.

Born.—On Thursday, April 6, to Mr. and Mrs. Will Johnston, Toronto Line, twin daughters.

Dr. Murray's little daughter Betty met with a bad fall last week when she fell down stairs and striking her mouth on a step had one of her front teeth driven almost wholly into the gum. Fortunately, she escaped other serious injury.

Mrs. George Mitchell returned from Toronto on Saturday accompanied by her daughter, Lulu, who is teaching in the city, but has been off duty for two weeks with a severe attack of quinsy. Miss Mitchell is recovering, but will rest at home until after Easter holidays.

Mrs. H. C. Legard, who expected to move to Toronto with her husband last week, is ill with pneumonia at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ed. Best. Miss Etta LeGard has returned from Toronto to nurse her mother.

Mrs. W. Henry is visiting friends in the city this week.

Miss Mary McMillan, teaching at Fort William, came home for her mother's funeral and is making a

short visit with her sister here.

Mrs. Alex. McDonald of McTier is on a visit with her parents here until after Easter. Mr. McDonald visited with her over the week-end.

Miss Trimble has returned from visiting her sister at Islington.

On Friday and Saturday, April 7 and 8, the Flesherton High School held a unique celebration. Twelve years ago work was commenced on the school building and the celebration was in honor of this event. Programmes of entertainment were presented on Friday and Saturday afternoon and evening. On Friday afternoon physical drill by the boys and girls of the school evoked well merited applause. On Friday evening the oratorical contest for Middle and Junior School took place. Miss Maude Acheson was declared winner of the Middle School prize, while Miss Mildred Whittaker came second. Albert Buchanan ranked third. All did splendidly, acquitting themselves with great credit to the school. In the Lower School contest, Edgar Sprott won first prize and George Akens came second. Other pleasing features of the program were: Sword Dance by Kathleen McDonald, a Highland Schottische by a group of girl students and a mixed quartette comprising Misses Ruby Muir and Maymie Nuhn, and Messrs. Wes. Armstrong and Albert Buchanan. Mr. de Cudmore gave a demonstration of the early form of the Victrola as compared with the modern style. On Saturday at 3.30 p.m. Mr. Stewart Cooper, the Agricultural Representative from Markdale,

demonstrated the Babcock method of milk testing. He also showed a film of "Tobacco Culture in Canada," demonstrating what can be done in the way of special farming. Mr. Cooper's picture was followed by a set of lantern slides showing Bird Life in Canada. These slides were described by Miss Rosella Stevens.

On Saturday evening two sets of lantern slides were shown: "Forestry" and "Hydro-Electric Development," ably described by Miss Holmes and Miss Maude Acheson, respectively. A very complete exhibition of curios, historical relics and industrial specimens attracted great attention. About 500 pieces were exhibited. Ancient farm implements: cradle, ox-yoke, flail, flax-beater, and a building-bull for raising a log cabin, were in the collection. Following is a partial list of the exhibits, including some very artistic needlework by Mr. A. Best: Wooden barley fork, bootjack, two old candle lanterns, Indian relic collection, Canadian stamp collection, ancient will on parchment, dated 1697, the property of Rev. Mr. Fowler, coin collections, clock with wooden works, and the above-mentioned needlework specimens by Mr. A. Best. Samples showing the manufacture of rubber, coal-tar products, soap and wool, together with many articles of great antiquity comprising the remainder of the exhibits. On both evenings a generous display of fireworks was presented making a fitting conclusion to the day's activities. Over 500 people attended the exhibition.

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